

Janice worked at her family's farm market, D-G's Farm Market, for over 30 years. Janice went on to own and operate her own market, J&M Deli and Produce for many more years. Janice spent the last 5 years, Mr. Speaker, working at the Bensalem Police Department, a phenomenal organization of tremendously courageous women and men where she was widely respected by our law enforcement community throughout Bucks County.

A longtime volunteer of St. Ephrem Catholic Church, Janice will always be remembered for her kind and giving spirit.

I send my deepest condolences to Janice's beloved husband of 45 years, District Judge Mike Gallagher, her son, her siblings, and all who knew and loved her. I know I speak for our entire community when I say that we are all grateful for Janice's contributions during her incredible 66 years of life on this planet.

Mr. Speaker, may the spirit of her generosity and service continue to inspire everybody in our community and everybody in this Chamber.

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NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS DAY

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, today is National Human Trafficking Awareness Day, and I rise in support of the more than 40 million men, women, and children, who are victims of this global tragedy.

Human trafficking is a \$150 billion criminal industry that exploits vulnerable individuals and strips them of their fundamental human rights.

Mr. Speaker, while this criminal conduct may seem a world away, it is very often taking place right in our own backyards. Human trafficking is reported in cities, suburbs, and rural areas in all 50 States in this Nation. Last year alone, the National Human Trafficking Hotline reported 221 cases of human trafficking in my home State of Pennsylvania and more than 10,000 cases nationwide.

These staggering and horrific numbers underscore the need for increased victim support services, education and awareness, and legislative advocacy surrounding human trafficking.

On this National Human Trafficking Awareness Day, let us renew our commitment to the global fight to end this abhorrent crime against humanity and redouble our efforts for the millions of survivors and their victims.

VOTING FALSEHOODS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. CLYDE) for 5 minutes.

Mr. CLYDE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my sincere concern for the falsehoods Democrats are spreading across the country regarding Americans' ability to vote.

Over the last year, Democrats have repeatedly alleged that the 2020 elec-

tion was the most secure election in American history, bludgeoning any dissent or legitimate election integrity concerns as "the big lie."

Yet in the same breath, the left has also spent the last year championing an election reform bill, the so-called For the People Act, that aims to federalize our elections processes, ban voter ID, and fund incumbent campaigns with Americans' hard-earned tax dollars—in the name of improving election security.

In fact, the Senate Democrats are attempting to destroy 200 years of precedent by removing the filibuster to solidify Democrat control of elections, thinly veiled as election reform.

But why is it necessary for the Federal Government to take over our elections process—a role specifically designated to the States by our Founding Fathers—if that process is working soundly and securely?

You see, Democrats are willing to put political gains above morality in order to quench their ever-longing thirst for power. This is a perfect example of "the ends justify the means." And that is wrong.

It is really quite simple: Republicans want to make it easier to vote, but harder to cheat. We should all want that. But no, Democrats are tenaciously gearing up to destroy our Republic as we know it by making it easier to cheat.

Take my home State of Georgia. Today, the Vice President and the President will travel to Atlanta to spread more misinformation about voting rights as an attempt to pressure the Senate to eliminate the filibuster. Yet, Biden will conveniently leave several facts out of his remarks:

He will refuse to admit that before this year his home State of Delaware denied voters in-person early voting, and now only requires 10 days of early voting—less than Georgia's minimum of 17.

Why? Because this reality flies in the face of Biden's false narrative that our democracy is under attack by Republican efforts. This is more hypocrisy.

He will fail to mention that just last week, Georgia finally launched an investigation into alleged illegal ballot harvesting in the 2020 election.

Why? Because this truth does not support Biden's vilification of Republicans that raise concerns about the 2020 election.

He will ignore the fact that New York is attempting to grant more than 800,000 noncitizens the right to vote in municipal elections.

Why? Because Biden is willing to overlook illogical and dangerous solutions to obtain control over Americans' lives. Instead, he will comically claim that many Republican States, including Georgia, are attempting to disenfranchise Americans when in fact their State voting laws strengthen election integrity to ensure every solitary American has free, fair, and honest elections. One citizen, one vote.

I firmly reject Democrats' dangerous and deceptive ploy to centralize elections in Washington. It is wrong for Americans. It is wrong for election security. And it is wrong for the future of our Republic.

CONGRATULATING UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA'S COLLEGE FOOTBALL TEAM

Mr. CLYDE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the 2022 College Football Playoff National Champions, my alma mater, the University of Georgia.

During a thrilling game last night, the Bulldogs defeated the University of Alabama 33 to 18. This exciting win marks the first time the University of Georgia will bring home the College Football Playoff national championship trophy to Athens and our second national championship trophy in the history of Georgia Collegiate Football. What a triumphant ending to an exceptional season.

Congratulations to the talented young men that put their all into the game, and to head coach, Kirby Smart, and the coaching staff for leading the Dawgs to a monumental win. May God bless the great State of Georgia as we now hail two champions from the 2021 season—the Atlanta Braves and the Georgia Bulldogs.

Go Dawgs. Soli Deo Gloria.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF RANDY POTTER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. TENNEY) for 5 minutes.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Speaker, in life there are names that once spoken give rise to great emotion. The name "Randy Potter" is one of those names in our community.

Today, I recognize the life of one of Upstate New York's most colorful and original characters, Randy Potter. Simply mentioning Randy's name puts smiles on the faces of all who knew him. Seeing his crazy hair and fun attire always covered in campaign slogans and buttons put a smile on the faces of people who didn't know him.

Randy was a music aficionado and a diehard Grateful Dead fan who attended hundreds of concerts, and he will always be fondly remembered for his love of music. He also enjoyed sports, and it didn't matter which team was playing; as long as it was a New York team, Randy was always their biggest fan.

Perhaps most importantly to Randy, he was someone who cared a lot about our community and about politics and the importance of government, and our community depended on him to get the message out.

Sadly, Mr. Potter passed away quietly on the evening of December 23. A treasure trove of stories, jokes, and the smiles of many, many residents across

Upstate and Central New York will be remembered by our loss of Randy Potter. Today, we remember his life and the many moments of joy he shared throughout our community. May we all learn a lesson from his life and zest for sparking joy and laughter in those around him.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF JOE FUSCO, JR.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the tragic passing of one of my district's great public servants, the Honorable Joseph Fusco, Jr., the former mayor of Rome, New York.

Mayor Fusco was a dedicated public servant, who led an incredible life. He first served as Rome City councilman and then as the 42nd mayor of Rome from 2011 to 2015, a job he performed with integrity, passion, and determination.

Joe led by example. He was always a smiling face and a helping hand. He oversaw the completion of the Mohawk River Trail, and in what little spare time he had, would participate in volunteer work across the community. He also hosted a terrific charity motorcycle ride across our beautiful region, an event I always looked forward to participating in each year. His dedication to public service carries on through his son, Joseph, III, who became a Rome firefighter in 2007.

I have no doubt that Rome, New York, is a better place because of the legacy of Mayor Fusco and the legacy that he leaves behind. I also extend my deepest condolences to Mayor Fusco's family, as they are grieving deeply at this time. This includes his beloved wife and dear friend, Laurie, his son, Joe, and many grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by many. Again, his legacy will not be forgotten.

RECOGNIZING PRISCILLA "PEEP" WILLIAMS FOR HER ATHLETIC AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Priscilla, also known as Peep, Williams, a standout athlete and student from New York's 22nd District.

As an 8th grader in 2017, Peep was named to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Lacrosse Girls National Middle School Team. From there, the honors just keep pouring in.

As a freshman in the spring of 2019, Peep stormed into the Seton Academy lacrosse scene, breaking the school's individual scoring record that was previously held by Seton's first Naval Academy appointee, who also happened to be her big sister, Maddie, who I had the distinguished honor of recommending an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy.

Peep is a 2021 USA Lacrosse Academic All-American and a member of the U-18 National Team. In this year's off season, Peep also won the New York State Sectional Tennis Championship. Ms. Williams recently signed her letter of intent to travel nearly 3,000 miles from home where she will play for an institution with a standard of excellence in both athletics and academics, the Stanford Cardinals.

Please join me in congratulating Peep and wishing her all the best in her future endeavors and know she will continue to represent our community with grace and determination. I wish the best to her parents, wonderful members of our community as well.

RECOGNIZING DR. HAROLD BLACK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. BURCHETT) for 5 minutes.

Mr. BURCHETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my dear friend, Dr. Harold Black. The University of Georgia, his alma mater, recently announced it will name a new residence hall in his honor.

He was the first Black student to enroll in the university's Terry College of Business, graduating with a bachelor of business administration in economics. He completed his education by earning his master of the arts and Ph.D. in economics from Ohio State University.

Dr. Black then led an accomplished career working for financial institutions. He served as Deputy Director of the Department of Economic Research and Analysis in the United States Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Director and Chairman of the Nashville branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, and consulted for several major banking corporations.

Dr. Black later used his public and private sector experience to teach finance in the higher education system. Following tenures at several universities, Dr. Black eventually settled at my alma mater, the University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

Dr. Black shared his knowledge with students in the Haslam College of Business for 24 years until his retirement in 2011. Throughout his career, Dr. Black published his financial research in outlets like the American Economic Review, the Journal of Banking and Finance, and the Journal of Monetary Economics. He received many awards for his teaching and research. Dr. Black continues to write, publishing a weekly column in my favorite newspaper, the Knoxville Focus.

Congratulations on your recent recognition from the University of Georgia, Dr. Black. Our community is proud of your achievements, and I for one enjoy reading your views on economics, and for making it so even a person of my intelligence level can understand what you are saying. I really appreciate it.

HONORING PETTY OFFICER SECOND CLASS CHRIS AL-BRETT

Mr. BURCHETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Petty Officer Second Class Chris Al-Brett as Tennessee's Second District's Veteran of the Month.

Chris enrolled in avionics school at the Naval Air Technical Training Center in Millington, Tennessee, in 1969. Later that year, he reported to Attack Squadron 174 based at Naval Air Sta-

tion Cecil Field, which defended the beaches of Northeast Florida against a potential communist invasion.

He worked on an A-7 Corsair 2 Light Attack Bomber. Chris later transferred to Attack Squadron 176 in Virginia. In 1972, he embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Franklin Delano Roosevelt for a mission in the Mediterranean Sea. After serving overseas, Chris was honorably discharged from the U.S. Navy in 1974.

In 2015, Chris joined the Captain Bill Robinson Chapter 1078 of the Vietnam Veterans of America. He became the chapter's public information officer, and the chapter received the Vietnam Veterans of America's 2017 Chapter of the Year award thanks in part to his leadership.

In December 2020, Chris joined the United Veterans Council of East Tennessee's Board of Directors as its public information officer. He was recently elected as the board's president, a position he will assume this year.

Mr. Speaker, we thank Chris for his service to our country and to his fellow veterans. I wish him the very best at the start of his new position.

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COMBATING HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND ONLINE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Missouri (Mrs. WAGNER) for 5 minutes.

Mrs. WAGNER. Mr. Speaker, today is National Human Trafficking Awareness Day, and I rise to bring attention to the horrific increase in human trafficking and online sexual exploitation.

Since the pandemic began, trafficking and sexual exploitation have skyrocketed in my own home State of Missouri and across the United States of America and the world.

I have made it a priority to support survivors and hold websites accountable for facilitating sex trafficking.

I am proud to be the only Member of Congress in over 20 years to successfully amend section 230 of the Communications Decency Act with my bill, the Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act, or FOSTA.

In the coming weeks, Mr. Speaker, I will introduce multiple pieces of legislation to combat human trafficking, child sexual exploitation, and online sexual exploitation.

We must come together to eliminate this barbaric trade.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until noon today.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 16 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.